

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Man-Woon NG et al.  
Title: TREATMENT OF OBESITY  
Prior Appl. No.: 09/245,712  
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Examiner: Unassigned  
Art Unit: Unassigned

**CONTINUING PATENT APPLICATION**  
**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Commissioner for Patents  
Box PATENT APPLICATION  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) is a:

☒ Continuation    ☐ Division    ☐ Continuation-In-Part (CIP)

of the above-identified copending prior application in which no patenting, abandonment, or termination of proceedings has occurred. Priority to the above-identified prior application is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120 for this continuing application. The entire disclosure of the above-identified prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuing application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Specification, Claim(s), and Abstract (24 pages).
- ☒ Informal drawings (2 sheets, Figures 1A-3).
- ☒ Transmittal of Formal Drawings (2 sheets), Figures 1A-3.
- ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 pages).
- ☐ Request for application not to be published with certification under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement.

- ☒ Form PTO-1449.
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76).

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Filed	Included in Basic Fee	Extra Claims	Rate	Fee Totals
Basic Fee				\$740.00	\$740.00
Total Claims:	8	- 20	= 0	x \$18.00	= \$0.00
Independents:	1	- 3	= 0	x \$84.00	= \$0.00
If any Multiple Dependent Claim(s) present:			+	\$280.00	= \$0.00
				SUBTOTAL:	= \$740.00
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- ☒ A check in the amount of \$740.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- ☐ The required filing fees are not enclosed but will be submitted in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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Respectfully submitted,

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**TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS**

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ATTENTION: DRAWING REVIEW BRANCH

Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the formal drawings (2 sheets, Figures 1A-3) for the above-identified application. The Official Draftsperson is respectfully requested to approve these drawings for entry into the application.

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